

NOTICE TO MARINERS

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Western Link Project

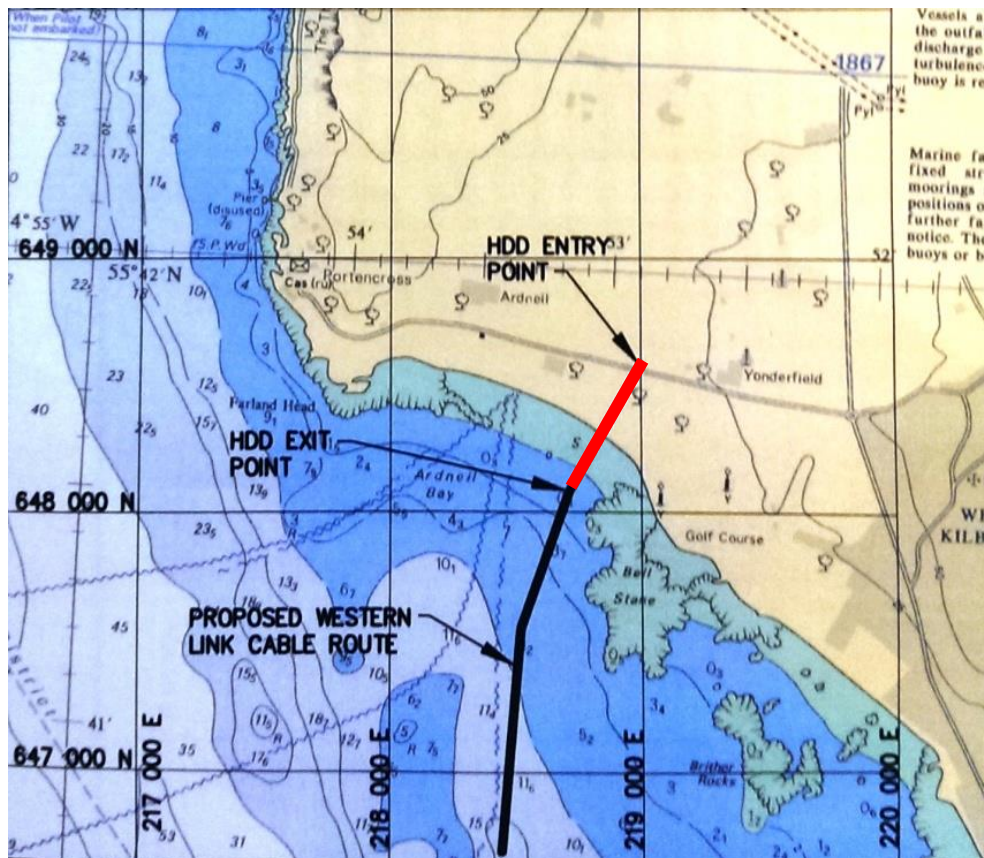
LANDFALL HDD in Ardneil Bay – Marine Works

Mariners are advised that construction work at sea for the landfall of the Western Link HVDC Cable is due to commence early next week (week commencing 6th of April 2015).

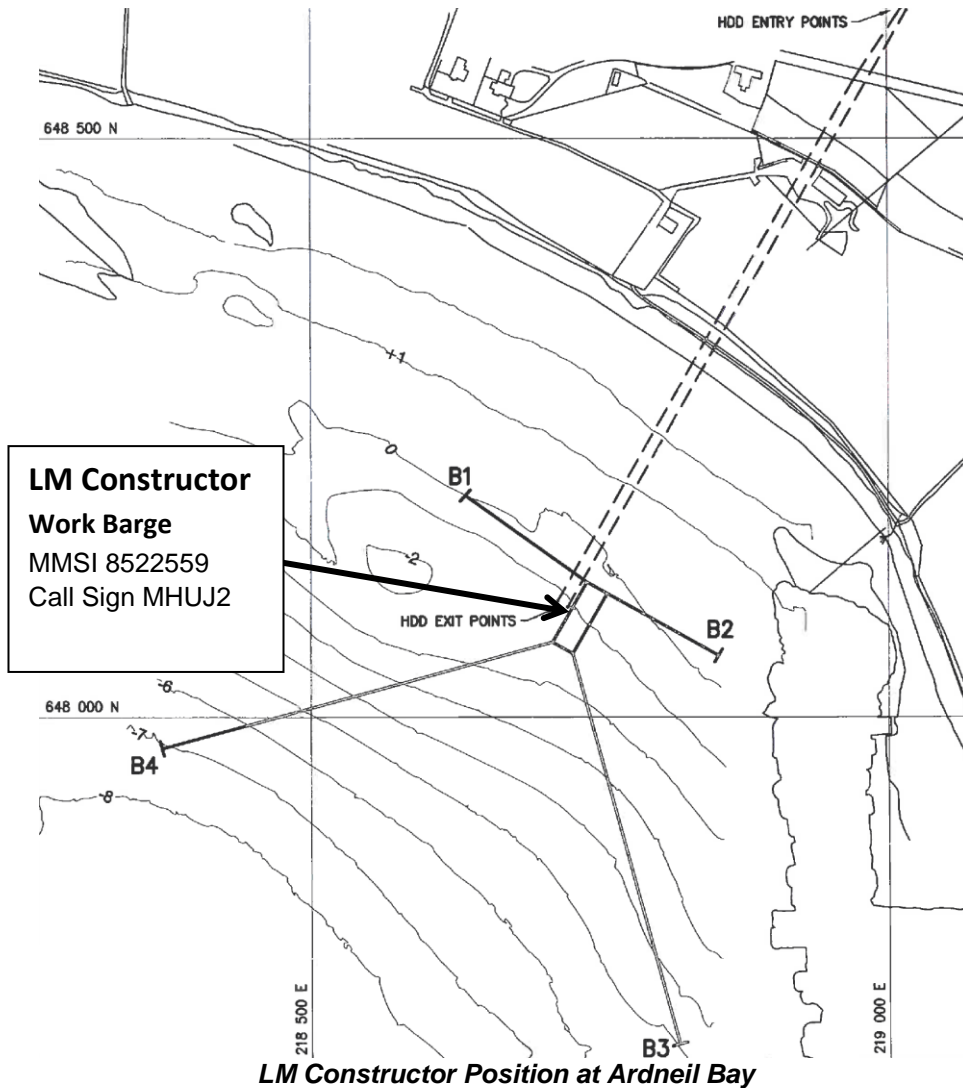
On the 4th or 5th April 2015 (weather permitting) a work barge, the **LM Constructor** (MMSI 8522559, Call Sign MHUJ2), will take up station in Ardneil Bay awaiting for the start of the construction works early next week. The **LM Constructor's** tow tug is the **Green Chief** (MMSI 235075142, Call Sign 2CRL5).

At the end of next week (11th of April, weather permitting), a 620m long black plastic pipe, 450mm (18") in diameter will be taken from its current storage location north of Hunterston Port to Ardneil Bay for installation.

The pipe will be towed from Hunterston to Ardneil Bay using the vessel **Vital** (MMSI 235100118, Call Sign 2G519) as the lead tug and the **Jetstar** (MMSI 235022933, Call Sign MKFU5) will take control of the tail end of the pipe. The pipe is painted front end and tail and every 50m in between with a 500mm wide yellow "ribbon" of radar reflecting yellow paint.



Pipe Installation location at Ardneil Bay (HDD pipes shown in Red)



The pipe will be positioned alongside the LM Constructor together with a 90mm (3,5") black plastic pipe directly offloaded from the barge, prior to being installed into a pre-drilled borehole from Ardnail Bay to an onshore position landwards of West Kilbride Golf Course together .

The **LM Constructor** will demobilise to Troon harbour after installation of the pipe and during periods of bad weather.

The pipe will be monitored by **Vital** (MMSI 235100118, Call Sign 2G519). The vessel can be communicated with on VHF channel 12.

The above dates are approximate and dependent on project progress and weather conditions. Masters and others in charge of craft are to maintain a VHF watch on channel 12 and warned to navigate with caution and pay strict attention to instructions issued to them by Hunterston Port.

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